

SECRETMESSAGE NO. MOGA-6502**SECURITY INFORMATION**

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TO: Chief, ^{EE} ~~Sec~~
 FROM: COS, Frankfurt ^{0/740}
 SUBJECT: GENERAL—Operational
 SPECIFIC—Armin SCHMIDT

DATE: 25 June 1958

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- Files contain the following information regarding Subject, taken from the interrogation report of Karl Gustav ARNOLD, dated 20 November 1943. According to ARNOLD, Armin SCHMIDT, who arrived in Spain several months after ARNOLD's own arrival in 1942, had been a forger of signatures and works of art and had served several prison terms for these activities. SCHMIDT was connected with the establishment by his mistress, Ana de POMBO, of a dress shop in Madrid which also served as a cover for GIC activities. In June or July 1943, Theodor PAEFFGEN came to Madrid to discuss with SCHMIDT, Ana de POMBO and others plans for the shop. ARNOLD described SCHMIDT as a slightly hunched man with long white hair. ARNOLD stated that he did not know the details of the failure of the dress shop, but that he had heard that SCHMIDT had swindled a considerable sum, was sought by the Spanish police in 1944 but managed to escape abroad with Ana de POMBO. According to ARNOLD, SCHMIDT displayed in Madrid a talent for getting to know the right people but was incapable of serious work.
- ARNOLD stated in the course of the interrogation that some of his information regarding SCHMIDT he received through one Martin MEYWALD, who also served the RSHA in Spain and was more closely associated with SCHMIDT. The report alludes to an interrogation of MEYWALD—POLAD #7148, dated 7 October 1946—as a source of further information regarding SCHMIDT, but this interrogation is not contained in our files. In it, MEYWALD apparently stated, among other things, that SCHMIDT had had an affair with a daughter of Virgilio SAMPOGNARO, former Uruguayan minister to Germany and to Spain.
- Files contain no information regarding (Major) Jorge OSINDE.

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